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Have no fear, John Hartwell is here

Aggies waste no time in hiring new Athletic Director, Vice President

BY Logan Jones | SENIOR WRITER

Utah State University President Stan Albrecht introduced John Hartwell as USU's new Vice President and Director of Athletics Wednesday, and Hartwell wasted no time in making his goals for Aggie athletics clear.

"I am here to tell you, that on a daily basis, 24/7, 365, that John Hartwell, our entire staff, our coaching staff and our student-athletes will roll up our sleeves and bust our tails and win multiple Mountain West Conference championships in multiple sports and we're very excited about that going forward," Hartwell said in Wednesday's press conference.

Hartwell brings to Cache Valley a track record of successful fundraising and a dedication to academics, a reputation he earned at Troy University (Sun Belt Conference) in Alabama.

"Whether you are in athletics, whether you are in academics, whether you are on the development side of campus, what we can never lose sight of is that the reason we are employed is for our students," Hartwell said. "When we look at athletics, it is our student-athletes and they are our number one focus. We need to provide all the resources, opportunities and tools to first, excel in the classroom, and number two, to win."

To Hartwell, academic excellence and winning conference titles are more than just campaign promises — he plans to meet with every head coach in his first 30 days to find out what they believe each program needs to be successful.

"I want all of our head coaches to have that

mindset that we won't just be competitive in our league, but we will operate at the top of our league," Hartwell said. "If we operate at the top of the Mountain West we will have success on a national scale as well."

For both Hartwell and Albrecht, national recognition comes as a logical next step for Aggie athletics, which has plenty of success to build on despite being relatively new to the Mountain West.

"We wanted to identify from the group of folks that we were looking at the right person and then we wanted to get that person here," Albrecht said. "We knew that person would have a great foundation that was put in place by (former ADs) Randy Spetman and Scott Barnes. We weren't looking to fix something. We are in a really good place. We wanted someone who would recognize that foundation that was in place and then really take us to the next level."

Though he's only been Utah State's AD for a day, Hartwell already sounds like a true-blooded Aggie.

"I like to operate with a little chip on our shoulder," he said. "I like our staff and our student-athletes to operate with a little chip on their shoulders. Our budget may not be as large as the University of Utah, but we are going to find ways to not only compete, but to beat them and all of the big boys. We are going to be creative, but we are going to be smart with how we do things."

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JOHN HARTWELL AND HIS DAUGHTER LAUREN, talk at a press conference announcing him as the new Athletic Director. Hartwell replaces Scott Barnes who was hired as Pitt's AD in May. Hartwell was previously AD at Troy University.

Ryan Costanzo | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



BY Kalen Taylor | SPORTS EDITOR

The Aggies will play last season's national champions, the Duke Blue Devils, on November 29 with the help of new assistant coach Luis Wilson.

The newly-named head coach of Utah State, Tim Duryea, said in his first press conference as head coach he wanted more games that were nationally televised and good for the program.

"I am thrilled for our players to be able to have this opportunity, especially our seniors," Duryea said of the game. "When you talk about modern day college basketball programs and coaches, Duke and Coach K are the gold standard. To be able to go and compete on a national stage, in one of the cathedrals of college basketball, will be a great experience for our team and it is also a fun way for our fans to be involved as well."

The first-ever meeting between the two schools will be nationally televised on ESPN, bringing Utah State a chance to gain

recognition while competing against a strong program. Duke returns just six players from last season, however they signed the No. 1 ranked recruiting class in the nation.

The Blue Devils' recruits include multiple five-star signees and three McDonald's All-Americans.

The Aggies return all five starters and nine letter-winners from last season. Utah State will also have Lew Evans, a Tulsa transfer, and Grayson Moore, brother of Jalen Moore and transfer student from Northwest Nazarene. Both are eligible to play after sitting out their transfer year last year.

Joining Duryea on the sidelines will be new assistant coach Luis Wilson, who was appointed to the position on May 21. Prior to Utah State, Wilson had coached at Adams State since 2010.

"I am grateful to Coach Duryea for the opportunity to be a part of a special university like Utah State, a community like Logan and a basketball program like the Aggies," said Wil-

son when he officially joined the USU staff. "I have been an NCAA college basketball coach for 23 seasons and most of that time has been spent in the shadows of the great traditions of this program. I have seen, up close, the success this basketball program has had. It has been one of the most consistent winners in college basketball over the past decade."

At Adams State, Wilson led the Grizzlies to a pair of 20-win seasons and finished his tenure as the winningest coach in school history at a 0.674 winning percentage. Wilson's teams advanced to three NCAA D-II National Tournaments in five years and ranked as high as No. 11 in the nation.

Wilson's squads were also fundamentally sound as they led the nation in steals with over 12 per game and turnovers at just under 22 per game in the 2011-12 season. His teams also finished among the top 20 in the nation in scoring all five seasons he was at the helm of Adams State.

Prior to Adams State, Wilson was the asso-

ciate head coach at California State University, Northridge, helping the Matadors to back-to-back Big West Conference Championships in 2008 and 2009. CSUN also captured a Big West Tournament Championship in 2009, earning a 15th seed to the NCAA Tournament.

Wilson began his coaching career as an assistant at Southern Utah University from 1992 until 1998, and with Idaho State University from 1998 to 2006. He helped the Bengals to a Big Sky runner-up finish in 2004 and guiding the Thunderbirds to an American West Conference Championship in 1995.

Wilson played collegiately as William Jewell College and was inducted in the WJC Hall of the Fame as a member of the 1987-88 team that finished with a 32-2 record.

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Student fee to rise in fall semester, Aggie Rec Center “increases value of degree”

BY **Amy Reid** | SENIOR WRITER

Beginning this fall, the student fee for campus recreation will increase from \$25 to \$75 per student at Utah State University, in order to pay for the cost of the Aggie Recreation Center.

Construction on the new \$30 million-building is set to finish in Oct. and will be open to the students on Nov. 17.

James Morales, Vice President for Student Services, said this building will better the USU community, which will in turn increase the value of a degree.

“What we’re trying to do is build a very strong, vibrant university community,” Morales said. “This community attracts good people, and you will forever benefit from that. Your degree gives you that pay back.”

The building will promote good health, and Morales believes health plays a large

part in building the “vibrant university community,” which is why he started a wellness initiative in 2009 with USU’s former student association president Tyler Tolsen.

“We talked about what are the most pressing needs for students here in terms of capital products,” Morales said. “We both decided the state of the recreation facilities here at Utah State would be really poor and students would need updated facilities.”

This began a three-year discussion before the proposed fee increase passed as a general referendum in the 2012 USU General Election, after which the committee overseeing the project gained legislative approval and finalized a design.

The groundbreaking for the building was in March 2014 and has since had only internal delays that have not affected the opening day.

“It has been in construction. It is on schedule. It continues to be on budget,” Morales said.

The Aggie Recreation Center, or ARC, will have a 200-meter track, fitness studios and indoor and outdoor turf fields, among other features. Instead of swiping a student I.D. to get in, students must register their hand print for a new hand-scanning technology the building will use.

It will also house a new space for the Outdoor Recreation Program to focus instruction and development for students.

“We anticipate by having a presence in the new building the general student awareness of the program offerings will increase a significant amount,” said Brian Shirley, interim co-director of campus recreation. “We are certain we will see an increased interest by students in both rentals and the outings programs.”

According to Shirley, the Outdoor Programs space will have a 42’ belay ledge accessible by climbing wall, stairs or elevator, an “industrial

wash-down room” to cut down risk of transporting invasive species on rental boats between bodies of water, and a trip-planning room.

Shirley shares Morales’ idea of building a strong community and hopes students will gain a deeper appreciation for the value of engaging themselves in fitness and an active lifestyle.

“We know from what has been documented at other institutions that when buildings like this open, the students who engage in them have higher GPAs, stay in school, develop a deeper sense of self and community and have lower rates of depression,” Shirley said. “There is not reason to believe we will not see similar outcomes in our student body here at USU.”

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THE CURRENT PROGRESS OF the new Rec Center juxtaposed with the plans for it. The center is set to finish construction in October and will open to students in November. The student fee for the center will increase from \$25 to \$75 in the fall.

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Biking, hiking and celebrating, Aggies take advantage of summer months



(LEFT) TYSON GODFREY HIKES the Himalayas with his friends. Godfrey and three other former and current Aggies took the trip when the spring semester ended. (Right) Emily James poses for a picture during her bike ride across the country. PHOTOS COURTESY OF TYSON GODFREY AND EMILY JAMES

BY **Mandy Morgan** | NEWS EDITOR

Constant projects, homework and duties of part-time jobs may be the life of students for nine months of the year, but the golden months of summer are a time for many students to do as they please.

Though internships and other money-making duties may fill the time of some Aggies and Aggie alumni, others are taking a few moments away from the “real world” for the rush of crazy and exciting adventures.

There are quite a few Aggies who have chosen the summer of 2015 to keep busy, ascend high peaks and celebrate some of the milestones of life.

Biking for peace

Emily James, who works in the Office of Research and Graduate Studies at USU,

has always loved biking and wanted to do a cross-country, self-supported ride for some time. Her biggest motivation was the death of a friend who had always wanted to do a similar trek for peace.

James fundraises with her friend's parents for an organization called On Earth Peach, through which she bikes the TransAmerica route during this summer, she told the Statesman via email while on the biking path.

“I’ve found two challenges: getting up day after day and riding on a sore body and loneliness. The answer to overcoming both has been partnering up with other riders also riding the Bicycle 76 Route,” James said.

James, along with other riders, uses routes established and laid out by the Adventure Cycling Association — there are maps, as well as services and lodging listed in the towns along each route, she said.

Currently, James is averaging about 60 miles a day — faster than she previously planned. But adjustments can be made as she matches pace with other riders along the way.

“It’s really encouraging to see the kindness and hear the stories of other riders and to receive the immense hospitality of people and communities along the route,” James said. “I’ve been hosted four times in stranger’s homes, three times by churches and spent several nights in campgrounds. If your faith in the goodness of the world needs restoration, go ride your bike across the country.”

James began her biking trip in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania and is just finishing her third week, passing through Kentucky.

Anybody interested in following along on her journey can find information at 3kmpEP.com.

The third highest peak in the world

Sometimes trips and travel are much-needed breaks for students who don’t ever have time to breathe. And then there are those celebratory, earned-it kind of trips, because some places and opportunities are too great to pass up.

For Tyson Godfrey, Jo Olsen, Matt Ditto and Cade Robinson, all USU alumni, hiking the Himalayas was something they had always wanted to do — recently an opportunity arose, and the group headed to Nepal for a few weeks.

Three weeks before their long-planned excursion, a 7.8 magnitude earthquake shook the capital of Kathmandu, also affecting the base camps of Mount Everest — the very place the four Aggies were headed.

Despite set-backs, the four managed to

Mundo's carries on family legacy



Ryan Costanzo | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

BY **Katie Lambert** | FEATURES EDITOR

Burritos and tacos made from his grandmother's recipe — that was the family-crafted food Mundito Villapudua dreamed his family's Mexican restaurant would serve.

"He was right on the money with that," said Mario Villapudua, Mundito's uncle and owner of Mundo's restaurant. "He would say, 'Dad, why are you making this so hard? Why don't you just open up a restaurant where you are serving burritos and tacos?'"

But Mundito never saw his ideal restaurant. Following his nephew's death 13 years ago, Villapudua decided to fulfill his dream for him.

After moving to Logan, Villapudua opened up a restaurant in Aggie Station — a "burrito and taco bar" Villapudua said.

History senior Mat Winn was in line at the Aggie Station, buying a Monster energy drink when he noticed a restaurant inside the gas station selling burritos.

"I asked the person behind the counter, 'Are they any good?'" Winn said.

More than seven months later, Winn is not only still impressed by the taste of Mundo's food, but he has converted two of his friends — accounting sophomore Garrett Peck and business sophomore Spencer Hanks — to the restaurant, as well.

"Mundo's is the new Cafe Rio," Peck said as he sat with Winn and Hanks at the new location in Blue Square. Latin music played in

the background, and they would eat the same burritos and tacos that were served at the Aggie Station.

Villapudua said that consistency with the recipes has contributed to the restaurant's popularity.

"I think we've done a good job with that, keeping our flavors together," Villapudua said. "Being consistent with the product. Fresh product is so important."

For Villapudua, the move to Blue Square was a way to meet the needs of frequenters of Aggie Station, with more parking, more seating and a closer location to Utah State University campus.

"It used to be that 80 percent of our sales were to-go at Aggie Station because it was so limited seating," Villapudua said. "This gives the opportunity to give people the dining experience."

This dining experience has changed how Mundo's conducts business, Villapudua said.

"So it's switched over from 80 percent to-go, to 80 percent dine-in," Villapudua said. "It's important for a restaurant owner for people to sit down in restaurant, to enjoy the ambiance and great food."

Villapudua said that the support that lead to his success has come from the community, and not just from USU students.

"That's one of the biggest questions we get, is, 'What are you going to do when the stu-



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Aggies climb to new heights

BY **Thomas Sorenson** | SENIOR WRITER

Rock climbers of all skill levels can now connect and enjoy the sport together because of a new club created by Utah State students.

“The goal was to create and maintain a group of climbing enthusiasts,” said Zach Hall, one of the founders of the Aggie Climbing Club. “We wanted to help people feel included and progress in the sport.”

There’s a barrier to get into climbing that the Aggie Climbing Club hopes to minimize, said James Neeley, another one of the club’s founders.

“We found a lot of people who didn’t have a lot of climbing partners or gear and wanted to go climbing, but didn’t know anyone that could take them,” Hall said.

Rock climbing has grown in popularity in recent years and there are a number of Utah State students that would like to start climbing, Hall said.

Neeley credited the growth of the sport’s popularity — particularly at Utah State — to the advent of sport climbing.

“Sport climbing is a relatively new avenue in the climbing world,” Neeley said.

In sport climbing, bolts are permanently secured into the rock wall, making it much safer to climb.

Cache Valley is unique because there are so many sport climbing walls in Logan Canyon. The canyon has a number of routes of varying difficulties and is easy to access, which USU student Bethany King says makes it an ideal place to climb.

“People have traveled from other places to go to Logan Canyon to climb,” said Desi Malan,

who recently graduated from Utah State. “You could be climbing Logan for years and years — your whole life — and still be working on different stuff.”

A lot of the enjoyment from climbing comes from the difficulty, said Utah State student Corrine Hoster.

“There are some times where you just want to quit and give up because it would be easier to just come down than to get to the top,” Hoster said.

Neeley echoed that sentiment.

“It’s a challenge,” he said. “It’s exciting. It gets your adrenaline going.”

King said she likes the personal challenge of climbing.

“You have to work out different strategies for different routes and things and really think about it,” King said. “It’s like playing chess with the mountain.”

Despite the climb itself being an individual challenge, the sport provides opportunity for social involvement, Hall said.

“You get the best of both worlds of going out in the mountains, hanging out with your friends, eating some good food, just chilling, but at the same time you’re doing something active,” Hall said.

Hoster said she enjoys climbing with friends.

“It’s good with friends too when they’re cheering you on. It kind of makes it easier because they’re all rooting for you to get to the top,” Hoster said. “You feel pretty cool once you overcome a hard climb or do something difficult and get to the top.”

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CORRINE HOSTER CLIMBS in Logan Canyon. Hoster and other Aggies take advantage of the summer months to climb in the areas that surround Logan.

PHOTO COURTESY OF CORRINE HOSTER

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change their travel plans and head to Dubai mid-May — their first stop before ending up in India, where they hiked the other side of the Himalayas, eventually getting a clear view of the third-highest peak in the world.

“I would say my favorite part of the trip was actually summiting Goechala. Seeing the snow-capped peaks without a cloud in the sky made all of the bug bites, muddy trails, sleepless nights and bland food worth it,” said Olsen, a recruitment specialist with the USU Admissions Office, in an email to Statesman staff.

The best part of the trip, Godfrey said, were the people they met along the way,

“especially the guys who took (them) on the trek” to help guide and cook.

However, not all adventures take place thousands of miles away.

Bachelor party of a lifetime

While many students are choosing outdoor adventures and travails during the summer months, Keith Ariaz decided that his friend’s bachelor party — planned by himself, the best man — would be the highlight of his summer.

“I spent about an entire year planning it out, doing research online about ways to throw a bachelor party ... I probably researched more than the average best man

to have a really fun, yet appropriate, party,” said Ariaz, a current student who hopes to major in journalism at USU.

The wedding was in California, so the group headed there together to celebrate and spend one last time together before the groom’s married life began.

Starting the Thursday night before the wedding, and going through the next Friday wearing matching t-shirts, Ariaz, Zak Fica (the groom) and four other friends went to Universal Studios to enjoy rides, indoor skydiving and a mechanical bull contest. Additionally, they ran into a bachelorette party at a dueling piano bar, which was not planned.

“What also made it fun was Zak had no

idea what I had planned for the day,” Ariaz said. “We kept it secret and blindfolded him every time we went somewhere new so that made it pretty fun, to keep him guessing what would happen next.”

Ariaz sees the summer as time for students to relax between semesters. Getting a part time job means they’ll have some time to do what they like, but also be productive, he said.

“Also go on a small vacation with your friends. It doesn’t have to be huge. It can be Idaho if you want. Just go somewhere and have fun with it and I guarantee it’ll be a summer highlight,” Ariaz said.

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Student dies in Green Canyon, honored by family and friends

BY **Mandy Morgan** | NEWS EDITOR

Matt Del Grosso was a rock climber from Maryland, who died after suffering a head injury while rock climbing in Green Can-

yon near Scout Cave on May 21.

Del Grosso, 23, was a student at Utah State University. He was climbing with some friends when he fell 50 to 100 feet, said Chief Deputy Matt Bilodeau from the

Cache County sheriff's office, according to The Salt Lake Tribune.

Del Grosso was in the graduate program of the biology department. A vigil was held May 28 at the mouth of Green Canyon,

with family members and friends there to honor his life.

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(LEFT) MAY SWENSON'S CHILDHOOD HOME. (Top middle) Millie Tullis listens to some of May Swenson's poetry being read. (Bottom Middle) A plaque commemorating May Swenson's childhood home in Logan. (Right) Star Coulbrooke, Logan's first ever Poet Laurette, reads some of May Swenson's poems. May 28th is May Swenson day across the state and local writers celebrated by doing a "poetry walkabout" in her honor. The group walked from campus to Swenson's childhood home and read her poems. The group then wrote and read their own poetry.

Ryan Costanzo | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Community commemorates local poet May Swenson

BY **Melanie Fenstermaker** | STAFF WRITER

Local writers honored May Swenson, a Cache Valley poet who has been praised as one of the most influential poets of the 20th century, by going on a "poetry walkabout" on May 28 to the site of the old Swenson childhood home.

The group walk began near the Ray B. West building at Utah State University, then made its way down to the old amphitheater to read some of Swenson's work aloud. The walk ended at 691 E 500 N, the site of the old Swenson home, where group members wrote their own poetry with in-

spiration from Swenson's work.

The event was organized by Star Coulbrooke, Logan's first-ever poet laureate, in an effort to bring awareness of Swenson's poetry to the community.

May Swenson Day is celebrated statewide on May 28, Swenson's day of birth in 1913. She graduated from both Logan High School and Utah State University.

Swenson published several poetry collections, including "A Cage of Spines," "Half Sun Half Sleep" and "In Other Words." Many of her poems were inspired by the Cache Valley area.

Swenson died in 1989 and was buried in

the Logan cemetery.

To many local writers, Swenson is more than just a historical figure – she is an inspiration.

"Her poetry is really inspiring," Coulbrooke said. "She was able to bring the local into the national and global sort of perspective."

In 1958, Swenson began experimenting with riddle poems and talking about topics rarely discussed in poetry, Coulbrooke said.

"She was one of those poets that came along and sort of blew everything up that poetry was doing before," she said. "There are so many contemporary poets who really

admire her work and realize what kind of innovations she started. Her voice is really prominent in changing the way we think about poetry."

Swenson's work influences local writers because she gained inspiration for many of her poems from her view of Cache Valley and its culture, said Millie Tullis, a creative writing and philosophy major at USU.

"Something cool about her being from Logan is that she came out of the culture that we have," Tullis said. "Her background was so similar to ours. That's inspiring. It's

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Utah State students intern down 'memory lane,' work with Alzheimer's

BY Amy Reid | SENIOR WRITER

According to the Alzheimer's Association, an estimated 5.3 million Americans have Alzheimer's disease.

Some of those with Alzheimer's from Cache County live at the Sunshine Terrace Foundation in Logan, where the Alzheimer's wing is named Memory Lane, and the majority of those with the disease don't realize they are in a nursing home.

Utah State University students Kailey Young and Emily Edwards are both interns at Sunshine Terrace and interact with Alzheimer's patients on a daily basis.

"It's really fun to play with them, just because they like to interact with you," Edwards said. "You just have to figure out what each of them likes to do. I'm enjoying figuring that out."

Young said it's all about the connection with the resident.

"It's good to take that personal time, even though we know they're not all there," Young said. "Let them know that you are interested in them, whatever they might be talking about."

Both Edwards and Young help in the recreation therapy department at Sunshine Terrace, where aides run sensory activities, ranging from dancing to puzzles. These activities aim to maintain the physical and cognitive abilities of the residents, which varies greatly among those with Alzheimer's.

"There are some that are pretty much unresponsive, so I'll usually just rub something textured on their face so they are getting something," said recent USU graduate and recreation therapy aide Nicole Godfrey, "And then there are some that are pretty cognitively highly functioning, and I rely on them to help guide



SUNSHINE TERRACE IS HOLDING A CROQUET FUNDRAISER on June 13th to raise money for the care of those in need. PHOTO COURTESY OF SUNSHINE TERRACE

the group."

One challenge of the group activities is some of the people with Alzheimer's or dementia wander off when they forget what they are doing. Recreation therapy director Terry Hansen said in that situation, you just have to reassure them. If they insist on trying to play something else, you have to play along.

"It's about entering into their world rather than seeing it from your own," Hansen said. "It's really easy to say, 'What you're saying right now is ridiculous. You're not a child anymore and your brother and sister aren't with you.'"

However, she said while their world is not reality, it is their reality. They might not understand why you don't understand.

"It can be frustrating for the residents," said

Edwards. "You have to know how to respond to it."

This knowledge of how to respond and interact is exactly why those who work with those with Alzheimer's find awareness to be such an important issue.

"The vast majority of the world are going to know somebody with Alzheimer's or dementia at some point in their life," Hansen said. "And knowing the signs...will help them to be able to be more understanding and not get as frustrated."

With how prevalent the disease is, Young said it is especially important for families to know how to respond.

"It can take a toll on the family," she said. "Understanding what an individual with Alz-

heimer's is going through is really important for the relationship."

Hansen encourages students to volunteer and get to know people with Alzheimer's as adults that deserve respect and have something to teach.

"Although they can't remember what they did yesterday, they remember what they did 60 years ago, and they remember the lessons they learned 60 years ago," she said.

More information about Alzheimer's and National Alzheimer's and Brain Awareness month can be found at the Alzheimer's Association website, alz.org.

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so exciting to read (work from) somebody who is from your school and is amazing at what you love to do."

Tina Sitton, an adjunct English instructor at USU, said Swenson's success gives her hope for her own success.

"She came from this school; I came from this school. If she can

make it, I can make it," she said.

Coulbrooke plans to host poetry walkabouts to different locations every fourth Thursday of each month this summer. She may take the groups to see Swenson's grave site in the Logan Cemetery or to stargaze on Old Main Hill.

Coulbrooke will, in a sense, follow in May Swenson's footsteps as she writes poetry about Cache Valley.

"This is the place I love, this val-

ley. This is where almost all of my poems are based," she said. "I think it's really smart to be able to write from the heart and place poetry in your life where you live. I think people aren't as much interested in how to make poetry contemporary and how to make it smart as they are in making it sound real, true to life and from the heart."

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dents leave and the university shuts down?" Villapudua said. "We're blessed to say that we have a strong community support. We depend on the students, that's one of the big reasons we choose this location, so we can offer them a great product at a great price. With that being said, the support coming from the community has been unreal."

Villapudua said that he is looking to expand Mundo's in the next year or two, with possible locations in southern Logan, Ogden and Salt Lake City. But the name of the restaurant will remain as a reminder to Villapudua of his nephew.

"Behind a name, there should always be a story, and this is one for the ages," Villapudua said.

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Logan residents celebrate water conservation



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Utah State University Extensions reeled in Logan residents June 6 for its annual Bear River Celebration and Free Fishing Day using free fishing, water activities and water conservation.

Free fishing was available anywhere in Utah, but the celebration at Willow Park provided tips about water conservation for those in Cache Valley.

"It is important to save water because we need it for our farmers, economy and wildlife," said Brian Greene, the volunteering coordinator for Utah State University Water Quality Extensions. "We use more per capita for 248 gallons per day in our home for residential water. There have been times where we have had to curtail the amount of water people use. Utah is the second driest state in the nation and also has the highest water users per capita."

But according to an analysis released by state legislative auditors May 5, information used by most water agencies could be outdated.

According to the report, "A Performance Audit of Projections of Utah's Water Needs," state auditors believe Utah will outgrow its need for unshared water supply by 2040.

USU Extensions Water Quality provides information for people on how to conserve.

"We define water by how it is used," Greene said. "We want to protect water for all its beneficial uses and make sure it is healthy for all

people to use. Most of Cache Valley's water is used for lawn care and landscaping purposes. One of the ways residents can take care of that is to use plants and shrubs native to the area. This uses less water because they are native to the drier climate. People could be water wise for what kind of things that they plant."

The USU Extension's Water Quality website also contains information to help residents receive education about water conservation. Utah State's Extension's Water Quality also feel it is important for students to become better educated, many of whom come from out-of-state and have no idea of the strain placed on Utah's resources.

Nicole Devanny, a graduate research assistant with the Department of Watershed Sciences, was one of those with no prior knowledge of water conservation.

"I am from back east, where limited water is not as much of a problem," Devanny said. "I was first made aware of water scarcity on a trip down to Arizona. I have also worked with the forest service and have gained awareness through involvement with different conservation programs."

Associate professor and head of the Department of Watershed Sciences Nancy Mesner agreed that students working to conserve water was important.

"We simply want students to be aware of how much water they are using," Mesner said.

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See Ashley's birth story.

Having a baby naturally can be difficult. After using the Hypnobabies program for the first time, Ashley was surprised by the results. To learn more about her natural delivery, visit IntermountainHealthcare.org/Ashley.


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Opinion: Garrettson's departure a sad day

What do you call a quarterback who leaves behind a legacy, but isn't considered a legend?

BY **Logan Jones** | STAFF WRITER

When Utah State head football coach Matt Wells announced junior quarterback Darell Garrettson would be leaving the team back in March, the news wasn't met with any kind of major outcry.

Garrettson didn't fit the narrative that traditionally establishes a college football player as "great" or "program-defining." He was no four-year starter — in fact, he never actually played a full season. His number was never on the overpriced jerseys in the bookstore. For all of his successes, he still never broke out of his role as "the guy behind Keeton."

And that's a damn shame, because no quarterback has done more for Utah State football in the past two years than Darell Garrettson.

How quickly we forget this guy's 2013 campaign. Thrown into a starting role following Keeton's knee injury, Garrettson delivered five straight wins in record-setting fashion, and did it in the Aggies' first season in the Mountain West. The true freshman went from taking reps in practice with the second string in September to setting the freshman record for passing yards (1,446) and connecting on 60.3 percent of his passes for the fifth best single-season mark for any USU quarterback ever — and those numbers are better than the guy who started ahead of him. He didn't just fill in for our injured gunslinger, he dissected MW defenses like no freshman had in the history of the program.

He threw for 370 yards against Hawai'i and it was brushed aside because of the Warriors' suspect defense. He capped off his freshman year by leading USU to a 21-14 win against a ranked Northern Illinois team in the Poinsettia Bowl, and was overshadowed by stellar play of the Aggies' defense.

Perhaps if Garrettson were the starter heading into week one, he'd have gotten more credit for being one of the premier quarterbacks in the conference. Instead, most fans spent the year finding other reasons

the team was winning and ignoring what a trainwreck the season could've been without Darell on the depth chart.

The Poinsettia Bowl alone should give USU fans a certain respect for Garrettson — but that's not even the most important game he won as an Aggie.

Turn the page to 2014. Keeton is out again, and Garrettson is expected to lead the charge against undefeated No. 18 BYU on the road as a 21-point underdog. In the first half, he notched 257 yards and three touchdowns on 14-of-17 passing before USU eased up on the gas, content to play defensive football the remainder of the game to lock up a 35-20 beatdown.

That's the stuff of legend, and Garrettson did it all that game. He dropped a perfect 71-yard bomb to Hunter Sharp, he rushed for a 5-yard touchdown, he thrived under pressure and he surgically removed any hope BYU had for a shot at the BCS playoffs.

And when he left in March, here's what we got — "We thank Darell for his contributions to Utah State football the past two years and wish him the best in the future."

That's pretty weak. The story of these past two seasons should not be "Keeton got hurt but our defense is solid so it's all good." Go back to the press clippings from this past fall — that's all you'll see, and that's not right.

Garrettson won't have his number retired in the rafters. He never won USU a conference title or got us a national ranking. In a few years, he'll likely be remembered for the BYU game and that game only — we're still technically in the "Keeton era" after all. But what he did do deserves to be noticed, and his departure deserves to be met with a lot more respect — he's earned that much.

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Opinion: Athletics pushing it with financial requests

BY **Cody Scott** | STAFF COLUMNIST

Last year I wrote an article on the Aggie Radio website about the fact that Utah State students pay more in fees to support the USU Athletics Department than any other school in the Mountain West Conference and in the state of Utah. A few weeks after publishing, I found out that the athletics department sought additional funding from the Utah State Legislature, amounting to \$1.5 million. It is my thought that Utah State Athletics is being overly ambitious and that no good can come from their dependence on student fees and legislative kickbacks.

Next year, students will pay \$278.28 in student athletic fees, accounting for about \$5 million of the department's budget. Additionally, athletics will receive \$8 million from tuition and university programs. Boosters will give about \$2 million, and taxpayers will give \$1.5 million. All of this money will go toward scholarships for athletes, stipends, facilities, advertising, salaries and travel expenses.

According to the five-year plan for the athletics department presented in a 2014 Student Fee Board meeting, athletics plans to ask for an additional increase in student fees this year to fund additional budgetary needs. Even with all of these increases, the department was still reporting a deficit as of 2014.

What I fail to understand is why the

department can't realize its limitations. Obviously, the fact that they are nickel-and-diming taxpayers and students who already have strapped budgets is a sign of its inability to sustain itself.

After spending months last year studying the athletics department's budgets, conducting interviews and emailing accountants, I've learned that this recent dependence on outside revenue sources can only mean one of two things; either athletics will keep increasing fees and seeking support from taxpayers, or they will have to realize that the level at which they want to compete just isn't a possibility.

In spite of being more dependent on student fees and legislative support than most schools in the Mountain West Conference, Utah State had one of the smallest operating budgets in the conference in 2014. That means that if Utah State ever hopes to match the budget of San Diego State or Fresno, they are either going to have to increase student fees or ask for more money elsewhere.

I just have to point out that Utah State's athletic program is growing. They are referring to the rise to prominence as "The Climb," but if they ever hope to reach the top, our student fees and taxes will be "climbing" too.

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Opinion: Three apps to make your summer sizzle

BY **Riley Thompson** | STAFF WRITER

If you're like me, you probably have a lot more free time on your hands now that summer has started. That means you'll most likely be spending more time with friends, families and whoever may cross your path. Below are three apps I've found for you that will make it a summer to remember.

Bands in Town: Don't you hate it when you found out a band you love is coming to town, but you didn't know about it in time? Well fear not — Bands in Town will alert you to when concerts near you are happening. The app will customize what you hear about depending on what you put

in, and it will even read your music library so you won't miss a thing. This free app is available on iOS as well as Android. Rating: 4.2/5

Rise: S'mores, fires, hikes — all of these activities depend on the sun or absence of it. The app Rise will tell you when the sun sets every day and when it will rise. This allows you to avoid bad situations like night games when the sun is out or having to wait to start your fire. Now you can plan ahead. This app is available on iOS and is free. Rating: 4/5

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"While they are brushing their teeth, they should turn the water off. They also should be aware of the food they consume and how much water is required to prepare certain foods. Beef is a prime example, using 2,500 gallons of water to produce one pound of beef."

The outdoors is not the only place water is wasted. Household appliances have been improved to use less water. USU Water Extensions recommends low flow appliances, especially for shower heads and toilets.

Older toilets have been known to waste up to seven gallons of water per flush, according to conserveh2o.org. Some of the newer models require only 1.6 gallons, relying instead a high pressure function.

For all those interested in learning more on how to save water, please refer to <http://extension.usu.edu/waterquality/>.

Opinion: Hot new books to add to reading lists

BY **Miranda Lorenc** | SENIOR WRITER

Ah, summer. After a long year of busy class schedules and work, now is the time to sleep, relax and maybe curl up with a good book or two.

Many books from various genres are released every month, and this year is no different. Below are only a few of the latest hot summer reads to reach the bookstores.

1. Harper Lee's long-lost novel, "Go Set A Watchman," hits the shelf next month on July 14. Written in the mid-1950's by the author of Pulitzer prize winning classic "To Kill a Mockingbird," this sequel was considered lost until late last year.

Featuring many of the characters from "To Kill a Mockingbird" some 20 years later, in the mid-1950's, "Go Set A Watchman" follows Scout Finch as she returns home to her father and struggles with personal and political issues involving the state of society in her small Alabama town.

2. Neil Gaiman's new anthology, "Trigger Warning," was released in February and offers a new perspective on the mysteries that hide beneath the veil of reality and the masks that cover true selves.

This book explores and explains it all — death and what is left behind in "Adventure Story" — the creeks and clatter that quiet houses make in the dark in "Click-Clack the Rattlebag" — "A Calendar of Tales," a story inspired by social media experiences — even a re-imagining of the classic tale of Sherlock Holmes in "The Case of Death and Honey." In all these, Gaiman offers a variety of horror, fantasy, fairy tales and poetry for readers to enjoy.

"Trigger Warning" also includes previously published short fiction such as a Doctor Who story, written for the 50th anniversary of the popular T.V. series, and "Black Dog," a new story that is exclusive to this collection that revisits Gaiman's world of "American Gods."

3. Fans of young adult dystopian fiction might enjoy the "Red Queen" by Victoria Aveyard, who creates a world where citizens are separated into social classes by the color of their blood;

the common Red Bloods spend their lives serving the Silver Blood elite class, who are gifted with extraordinary abilities.

Enter Mare Barrow, a Red surviving as a common thief in a rural village until she finds herself before the whole Silver court and discovers an ability of her own. To hide this ability, the king forces Mare into the role of a lost Silver princess and betroths her to one of his sons. Soon Mare is swept up in intrigue and danger as she is drawn further into the Silver world while using her new position to help a growing Red rebellion. Will her power save and condemn her in this divided world? Read to find out.

4. Terry Brooks, New York Times best-selling author, returns to the world of Shannara with his newest standalone novel, "The Darkling Child," released June 9.

As the High Druid nears the end of her reign, Paxon Leah, sworn protector of the Druid order must accompany a Druid emissary to a distant corner of the Four Lands where the formidable magic of the wishsong has been detected. Together, they must ensure that the power is kept safe from those who would use it for evil.

Meanwhile, traveling minstrel, Reyn Frosch, the wielder of the uncanny gift that is the wish-song is targeted by the dark sorcerer Arcannen, who seeks to use the wishsong as the ultimate weapon for revenge in an everlasting battle for power.

The world of Shannara is set to come to life later this year and is currently in production. The series will be based off of Terry Brooks' novel, the "Elfstones of Shannara," the second book in the series, the first being the "Sword of Shannara."

Other books to hit the silver screen this year include John Green's "Paper Towns," set to premier next month; James Dashner's "Scorch Trials," sequel to the Maze Runner, in theaters September; and Suzanne Collin's "Mockingjay," part two, the final installment of "The Hunger Games," in theaters November.

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WhatKnot: A bad knot while camping can mean the difference between putting up a tent at midnight (again) or a good night's sleep. The app WhatKnot is made by Columbia, and will help you avoid mistakes you might make when securing a tent or putting up a tarp to shade your camp. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced camper this app is for you, because you can look any type of knot using their easy

index which lets you choose by name, type, etc. This app is free and available on multiple platforms.

Rating: 4.7/5

I Make sure to check out my column next month, where I will tell you what the best movies of the summer have been and what movies to look forward to.

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TUESDAY JUNE 9

Logan Tabernacle Summer
Concerts
Logan Tabernacle
Free, 12:00 pm

Shatterproof
Why Sound
\$6, 7:00 pm

ArtSystem: The Changing
Climates of the Arts and Sci-
ences
*Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of
Art*
Free, All Day

THURSDAY JUNE 11

Cache Valley Storytelling
Festival
Elk Ridge Park
\$6-\$60, 9:00 am

Logan Tabernacle Summer
Concerts
Logan Tabernacle
Free, 12:00 pm

Noises Off
*Caine Lyric Theatre-Utah State Uni-
versity*
\$14-\$25, 7:30 pm

FRIDAY JUNE 12

Cache Valley Storytelling
Festival
Elk Ridge Park

\$6-\$60, 9:00 am

Bike with Brent
Willow Park West
**\$12-\$15. \$12 children, \$15 adults, 9:30
am**

Logan Tabernacle Summer
Concerts
Logan Tabernacle
Free, 12:00 pm

Autostigmatic
Why Sound
\$6, 8:00 pm

SATURDAY JUNE 13

Cache Valley Storytelling
Festival
Elk Ridge Park
\$6-\$60, 9:00 am

Doggie Olympics
Logan Cache County Fairgrounds
\$20, 1:00 pm

SUNDAY JUNE 14

Sunday Under the Trees
Old Main
Free, 1:00 pm

Alumni Band Concert
*Kent Concert Hall, Chase Fine Arts
Center, USU Campus*
Free, 7:00 pm

WEDNESDAY JUNE 17

Last Train to Nibroc
Caine Lyric Theatre-Utah State Uni-

versity
\$14-\$25, 7:30 pm

THURSDAY JUNE 18

Summerfest Arts Faire
Logan Tabernacle
Free, 11:00 am

FRIDAY JUNE 19

Ragnar Relay Wasatch Back
Logan, Utah
\$500-\$1,560, All Day

SATURDAY JUNE 20

Family Art Days
*Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of
Art*
Free, 11:00 am

SUNDAY JUNE 21

Sunday Under the Trees
Old Main
Free, 1:00 pm

WEDNESDAY JUNE 24

Mystery of Edwin Drood
*Caine Lyric Theatre-Utah State Uni-
versity*
\$19-\$30, 7:30 pm

SATURDAY JUNE 27

Harmon's Bike MS 2015
Logan Cache County Fairgrounds

\$45-\$70, 7:00 am

Art on the Lawn
Art on the Lawn
Free, 10:00 am

WEDNESDAY JULY 1

And Then There Were None
*Caine Lyric Theatre-Utah State Uni-
versity*
\$14-\$25, 7:30 pm

THURSDAY JULY 2

Cache Valley Cruise-in
Logan Cache County Fairgrounds
**\$1-\$5. \$5 for 18 & over; \$1 ages 5-17,
8:00 am**

FRIDAY JULY 3

Freedom Fire
USU Maverick Stadium
**\$8-\$36. \$8 general admission; 6-tick-
et package \$36; Ages 2 and under
Free, 7:00 pm**

SATURDAY JULY 4

Saturdays at the Museum
Willow Horseshoe Park
Free, 10:00 am

WEDNESDAY JULY 8

Cache Valley Cup
Logan and Cache Valley
**\$425-\$500. Team entrance fees; Spec-
tators admitted FREE, 8:00 am**